1 2 3 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 7 AT TACOMA 8 GREGORY A. DILEONARDO, II, 9 Plaintiff. Case No. C08-5470FDB 10 v. ORDER DENYING STIPULATED 11 TARGET CORPORATION, MOTION REFERRING CASE TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR 12 Defendant. **MEDIATION** 13 Ordinarily, a case is not referred to a Magistrate Judge for the purpose of conducting 14 mediation ordered in the Scheduling Order. A report on 39.1 mediation is scheduled for August 26, 15 2009, according to the Scheduling Order in this case [Dkt. #9]. In support of their stipulated 16 motion, the parties state that they "believe that a final settlement will most likely be reached if a 17 magistrate judge of this Court serves as mediator," without any other rationale for that conclusion. 18 ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED: Stipulated Motion Referring Case To Magistrate 19 Judge for Mediation [Dkt. # 16] is DENIED. 20 DATED this 26th day of July, 2009. 21 22 FRANKLIN D. BURGESS 23 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 24 25

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